Complete application information and materials can be obtained in the Career Service Center (or equivalent) of participating universities and on EPA's Web site at:

www.epa.gov/enviroed

Application materials will not be sent directly to students.

Students interested in a research project listed in the catalog must submit four complete application packages (original and three copies) consisting of:

- a one-page work plan proposal
- resume
- an official transcript
- a letter of reference from a professor or advisor
- verification of Fall enrollment in graduate school (graduating seniors)
- NNEMS Liability Agreement

Students may apply for more than one project. Separate, complete application packages (original plus three copies) must be submitted for each project. The official academic transcript may be photocopied if a student is submitting more than one application package. "Unofficial" copies of transcripts also will be accepted in the case of multiple applications.

The annual application deadline for projects is generally in December. The exact application deadline for each year can be found in the annual NNEMS catalog of available research projects and on our Web site.

# FOR MORE INFORMATION

#### Write or call:

Sheri Jojokian US EPA (1704A) 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20460 (202) 564-0452

Or visit our Web site at www.epa.gov/enviroed

United States **Environmental Protection** Agency

EPA 171-F-00-011 October 2000

Office of Environmental Education (1704A)

# **SEPA** National **Network for Environmental** Management **Studies** (NNEMS)







Recognizing the growing interest in environmental issues and careers, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has established the National Network for Environmental Management Studies (NNEMS) Program. NNEMS is a comprehensive fellowship program managed by the Office of Environmental Education.

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the NNEMS Program is three-fold:

- To provide students with practical research opportunities and experiences.
- ⊕ To create a catalyst for increased public awareness of and involvement in environmental issues.
- ⊕ To encourage qualified individuals to pursue careers in environmental protection fields.

# **STRUCTURE**

NNEMS offers a range of fellowship activities designed to help students refine their professional skills and enhance their knowledge of environmental issues.

## **RESEARCH PROJECTS**

Each participating headquarters or regional program office develops and sponsors projects for student research. These projects are sufficiently narrow in scope to allow the student to complete the research by working full-time during the summer or

part-time during the school year. We recommend that the student perform the research at the sponsoring facility, although other arrangements may be made in certain circumstances.

Research project opportunities are described in the NNEMS catalog distributed to coordinators at colleges, universities, and other organizations, and on EPA's Web site. The research fellowships fall into the following five categories:

- Environmental Policy, Regulation & Law
- Environmental Management & Administration
- Environmental Science
- Public Relations & Communications
- Computer Programming & Development

### COMPENSATION

Recipients of fellowships receive a stipend based on their level of education and the duration and location of the project.

# **ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible for the NNEMS Program, a student must meet the following criteria listed in the next column. Federal employees, to include Federal employees on leave without pay status, are not eligible for this fellowship program.

## **ALL Students Must**

- Be a citizen of the United States, its territories or possessions, or be lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence.
- Submit one letter of reference from a faculty member or department head very familiar with the student's work and

qualifications; the letter must state how the research project will benefit the student's academic studies.

#### UNDERGRADUATE Students Must

- Be enrolled full- or part-time at an accredited institution in an academic program directly related to pollution abatement and control <u>during the tenure</u> of the fellowship.
- Have a 3.0 cumulative grade point average on a 4.0 scale.
- Have already completed four courses relating to the environmental field.
- Seniors who will be graduating prior to the completion of the advertised NNEMS fellowship period are ineligible unless they have been accepted into graduate school and can submit verification.

#### GRADUATE Students Must

- Have been accepted to or be enrolled full- or part-time at an accredited institution in an academic program directly related to pollution abatement and control <u>during the tenure of the fellowship</u>.
- Have completed one semester of graduate work or at least four undergraduate courses relating to the environmental field. Students who are entering graduate school (i.e., who have not yet completed one semester of graduate work) will be asked to submit proof of application, acceptance, and enrollment if they are selected for a fellowship.
- Students who will be graduating prior to the completion of the advertised NNEMS fellowship are ineligible.

For more information, visit our Web site at www.epa.gov/enviroed